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	B.U.M.S.	Govt. Unani Medical College, Bangalore-560 039 (Karnataka)
Under Colombo Plan for students of Nepal		Govt. Ayurvedic College, Gwalior. (M.P.)

Sale of Banned Drugs in India

3949. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some drugs banned abroad are being manufactured and sold in India;

(b) whether Government have received any complaint in this connection from Consumer Organisation, Grahak Panchayat; and

(c) if so, the details and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) Who has reported the ban on 44 drugs in some countries. Out of these, 26 are not allowed for marketing, 11 are banned and 7 are allowed for marketing after consultation with experts. These 7 drugs include Clioquinol, Phenylbutazone/Oxyphenbutazone about which a concern was expressed by Grahak Panchayat.

The experts have considered Clioquinol as a safe and useful drug for the treatment of Amoebiasis and as a measure of abundant caution, it is allowed for treatment of amoebiosis only and has been taken out from Enzyme and other preparations.

Similarly, the experts had considered Phenylbutazone/Oxyphenbutazone as a drug of choice for ankylosing spondilytis and gouty arthritis. The short-term treatment with these drugs, for relief of pain, does not cause any adverse reactions.

Setting up of Separate Department for ISM and Homoeopathy

3950. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was a proposal to set up a separate department for ISM and Homoeopathy;

(b) if so, the present progress of the proposal; and

(c) by when it is likely to be materialised ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) Proposal for setting up a Separate Directorate for ISM is under consideration.

Transfer of staff in C.G.H.S. Headquarter

3951. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether clerical/'C' category staff in C.G.H.S. Headquarter/Zonal Headquarters have not been transferred since long;

(b) if so, the criterion for transferring such staff;

(c) whether due to vested interest a large number of clerical/'C' category staff have not been transferred, and